

**15 MACHINES HERE  
TO HARVEST CAN  
PROMISE SUCCE**

**CREWS INSTRUCTED**

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Glades County**

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HOW TO HANDLE THE**

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**Canal Point Mill Shuts Down  
As Clewiston Mill  
Gets Ready**

Seven Falkiner cane harvesters which arrived Tuesday night from the Allis-Chambers factory Milwaukee, Wis., were on the slip track at Canal Point yesterday awaiting orders for their use. These are additional to the seven machines that were unloaded Sunday at Benbow Farm and Liberty Point in Glades county.

Despite the definite and positive statements quoted in Associated Press dispatches from Clewiston and Fort-Myers, it is evident that the harvest and grinding of the

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and that there is no assurance  
that any schedule can be adhered  
to.

Line railroad. Benbow farm is one of the oldest and best known farms in the Moore Haven district, and the Liberty Point farm, three miles east of Benbow's, was owned for several years by the Mr. Clewis of Tampa who joined with John J. O'Brien in establishing the Clewis station townsite. Both farms are in Glades county and are planted to sugar cane by the Southern Sugar Company.

Up to Sunday eight cane harvesters had been received by the sugar company, one several weeks ago and seven last week. In the main the machines were assembled at the factory but some parts came separately and were attached after unloading. Breaking in the machines and breaking in the operating crews were the first things to be done after the harvesters were taken to the fields and that was what was being done

Sunday afternoon at Benbow where no more effort had been made to cut standing cane than was necessary in the first demonstrations to the crews as to how the machines were to be run. At Liberty Point the assembling of the two machines was being completed. On each machine were the words "Dahlberg Corporation of America."

terrimper wheels and is powered with two Waukeesa gasoline motors and have a speed range of from a quarter a mile to two and half miles an hour, low speed for operating and high speed for moving from field to field. A machine weighs 34,000 pounds. There is such information on the weight muck soils will bear and such tests with dragline machines on caterpillars, that evidently it was not difficult for the

designer of the Falkiner harvester to distribute the weight of the machine and make the caterpillars carry without danger of bogging any soil in which cane will grow. To the front of the machine are two colters, one on each side. These circular knives cutting any stalks of cane that do not stand upright. Such stalks as these are picked up as the machine advances. Under the body of the front part of the machine is an

right shaft with a metal disc at the bottom; knives project from the disc and are rotated, cutting the cane close to the ground. All this is ahead of the caterpillars; there is nothing to knock the cane down. Ahead of the cutter shaft and on each side of the machine are rotating prongs (mandibles) like the fingers of the human hand opening and closing, which in effect pick up the stalks of cane and push them toward a collector.

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